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HAWN, RAYMOND

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QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM AND

METHOD FOR MEAT PRODUCTION

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests amendment and reconsideration of the above-identified application.

The Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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